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E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: OEXC, SL (GOBIO-LAMIN, GEORGE G.)

SUBJ: FY-76 INTERVISITOR MINISTER GOBIO-LAMIN

REF: STATE 193278

BIO FOR GEORGE GOBIO-LAMIN FOLLOWS:

1. PRESENT POSITION: MINISTER OF LABOR SINCE OCTOBER 1974.  
PAST POSITIONS: RESIDENT MINISTER SOUTHERN PROVINCE, 1971-74;  
MINISTER HOUSING AND COUNTRY PLANNING, 1970-71; DEPUTY MINISTER  
TRANSPORT  
AND COMMUNICATIONS, 1969-70; DEPUTY MINISTER  
SOCIAL WELFARE, 1968-69.

2. PERSONAL DATA: BORN FEBRUARY JFN 1929 MANOWA, SIERRA LEONE.  
MALE. MARRIED. CHRISTIAN, NO DIETARY RESTRICTIONS.  
ADDRESS: MINISTRY OF LABOR, FREETOWN. HOLDS HONORARY "OFFICE  
OF THE CEDAR OF LEBANON." FOREIGN TRAVEL INCLUDES WESTERN  
EUROPE, NORTH AFRICA, LEBANON. IN U.S. ONE WEEK JANUARY 1976.  
VERY GOOD ENGLISH, ALSO SPEAKS MENDE. INTERESTED IN SEPACING  
TO FOREIGN AUDIENCES.

3. PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS: BASICALLY INTERESTED IN OPERATION  
AND ORGANIZATION OF LABOR UNIONS. WOULD LIKE TO MEET AFL-  
CIO REPRESENTATIVES IN BOTH WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK, ANY OTHER  
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OUTSTANDING REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANIZED LABOR IN OTHER CITIES.

SHOULD ALSO MEET LABOR OFFICIALS IN DEPT. OF LABOR AND STATE  
DEPT. AND REPRESENTATIVES INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATIONS.  
FYI: GOBIO-LAMIN HEADED AFRICAN DELEGATION AT RECENT ILO  
CONFERENCE AND WAS COMMENDED FOR HIS MANAGEMENT OF GELEGATION.  
HE MET U.S. UNDERSECRETARY OF TREASURY AT CONFERENCE AND WOULD  
LIKE APPOINTMENT WITH HIM IN WASHINGTON.

FURTHER PROGRAMMING INCLUDES VISIT TO S.L. DELEGATION AT  
U.N.; OBSERVATION OF AUTOMOBILE INDUSTRY IN DETROIT; VISIT  
TO BETHLEHEM STEEL; VISIT CAPE CANAVERAL IF ANY EVENT IS  
TAKING PLACE; IF NOT, VISIT HOUSTON SPACE CENTER. WOULD LIKE  
TO OBSERVE TIMBER INDUSTRY IN WASHINGTON STATE AND GENERAL  
SIGHTSEEING IN SAN FRANCISCO. HE IS ALSO INTERESTED IN SEEING  
KENNEDY AND LINCOLN CENTERS, MUSEUM OF AFRICAN ART, ASPECTS  
OF ELECTION CAMPAIGNING AND ANY UNUSUAL BICENTENNIAL CELEBRA-  
TIONS THAT MAY BE STILL TAKING PLACE.

WIFE WILL NOT REPEAT NOT ACCOMPANY.

4. MINISTER NOW BOOKED DEPART AUGUST 18 TRAVELLING FREETOWN-  
PARIS ARRIVING WASHINGTON AUGUST 20 VIA TWA-;1 AT 15:30.  
HE IS STILL SWAITING PRESIDENTIAL APPROVAL AND WILL CONFIRM  
ETA BY AUGUST 10.  
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